

NEBRASKA PIONEER PASSES AWAY

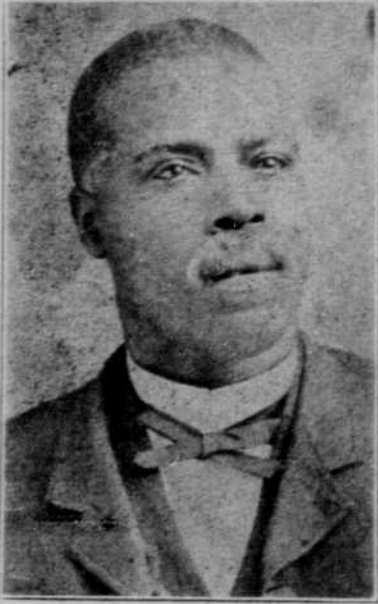
Jackson Johnson, Who Came to State at Close of Civil War, Dies at Lincoln at Age of 86—Had Interesting Career.

Mr. Jackson Johnson

Jackson Johnson was born in Robinson County Middle Tennessee about eighty-six years ago. He passed away October 24 at 10:30 a. m.

Mr. Johnson came to Omaha with the first Nebraska regiment in 1864 at the close of the civil war. He was a territorial pioneer. At that time the west was an uncultivated prairie. The railroads, telegraphs and telephones had not arrived. Communication and supplies came by steamboat up the Missouri river.

The next year he came from Omaha



by boat to Plattsmouth, carried his trunk on his back to Ashland, where he took the stage coach to Lincoln. For two years he cooked at the Peoria House, Ninth and P streets, the present location of the Journal building. Five years after emancipation he had accumulated enough money to buy five acres on South Fourteenth street which was his home at his death. In 1871 he struck out on the old Oregon trail with a grubstake and team. He stopped in York county near York where he took up an eighty-acre homestead. Frequently during the succeeding five years required as residence

on the homestead, he worked from York, Neb., to Lincoln, a distance of fifty miles.

Succeeding years of indefatigable labor under typical western conditions brought ample returns and in the year of 1875 after he had proved up on his homestead, he built a home on his Lincoln property and married his wife who survives him.

As the colored population in Lincoln increased, Mr. Johnson's intercession with the then governor of the state resulted in the conveyance of a parcel of state land upon which was built the first colored church of Lincoln. He was the head of the committee that solicited and distributed provisions and built barracks for the refugees of the first colored exodus from the south in the late seventies. He was one of the founders of the first colored Masonic grand lodge of Nebraska and its first deputy grand master, the emblems of which he possessed at his death.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnson reared and educated their children in Nebraska. Mr. Johnson is survived by a loving wife, Mrs. Laura Johnson; two sons, Fred A. and Will N. Johnson; a daughter, Mrs. Lulu M. Jones; a nephew, W. A. Johnson, and a sister-in-law, Maggie Johnson, and her son John.

Jackson Johnson was an honorary member of Lebanon lodge No. 2, A. F. & A. M.

THE ROUND TABLE

The scribe feels just a little oddly in his new surroundings, missing the little "Review," it having become linked with the greater "Monitor." However, we anticipate years of prosperity and development coming from this merger. The Negro press is becoming more and more a greater factor in moulding public sentiment and causing public servants also to note the growth of a group along social political and economic lines. Aside from these thoughts, we are noting the development of a race consciousness that means much in our growth. Let the good work go on.

I resume the matter of the legitimacy of "Prince Hall" Masonry. We also refer again to the writings of the late William H. Upton, a Past Grand Master of the white grand lodge of the state of Washington, in his book "Negro Masonry." He continues as follows: "Let me bring these long

digressions to an end by a thought well expressed by another. When the chief aim of New England brethren was to show that Masonry more ancient than that of Pennsylvania, they wrote of naught but the St. John's Grand Lodge, originating with Henry Price in 1733. But when it became necessary to exclude African Lodge by showing a 'Single Grand Lodge' with 'exclusive territorial jurisdiction' it became convenient to put Henry Price and his forty lodges out of sight; and to claim for the present Grand Lodge, formed when Prince Hall had been a Mason seventeen years, identity with a body of schismatics whom Henry Price and Prince Hall had been taught by their book of constitutions, not to countenance but to treat as rebels."

There does not seem to be any record to the effect that the two Grand Lodges referred to ever protested against the establishment of African Lodge at that time. A footnote on the same page (64) reads as follows: "I am indebted to W. Bro. Frederick S. Monroe of New Bedford, Mass., Committee on Correspondence of Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, and one of the best informed and most accurate Masons in New England, for the suggestion—apparently fully borne out by the printed records, "Proceedings in Masonry," of the Massachusetts Grand Lodge—that the other lodges also, which are assumed to have been represented at the organization of that Grand Lodge, Tyrian Lodge of Gloucester, Mass., and St. Peter's Lodge of Newburgport held aloof from the new Grand Lodge for many years, and neither recognized its authority, nor sent representatives to its communications. During those years it would appear to have been a Grand Lodge without a single constituent lodge, except those of its own creation."

Excellent example of dual territorial jurisdiction, which the white American Grand Lodges are those of the Grand Lodges of the "Ancients" and "Moderns" in England; the existence for many years, of two governing bodies in Scotland; the maintenance of lodges in Canada and Australia; although the territories have grand lodges located therein. The latest publications regarding Negro Masonry is the work of George W. Crawford, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence for the Prince Hall Craft of the state of Connecticut, and is styled "Prince Hall Craft and His Followers."

I shall pursue a further investigation of the growth of Masonry above any pique or prejudice.

We shall meet again as we advance toward the light.

THE SCRIBE.

ELECTION RESULTS DOUBTFUL IN KENTUCKY

Demos Fear Negro Vote—Make Desperate Effort to Stem Republican Tide—Raise Race Issue. (Special to The Monitor.)

Louisville, Ky., Oct. 26.—In an effort to stem the tide of the colored votes toward the republican party in the Blue Grass state, the democrats are raising the spectre of Negro equality and domination.

The demos appreciate the great defection to Harding in this state by the voters of both races on account of the league of nations issue and are making this last trench appeal in their attempt to prejudice the minds of the southerners in this section.

The Cox backers claim that they will carry Kentucky with hands down, unless the republicans swamp them with cash, while the republicans are equally as sure of carrying it unless the demos succeed in stigmatizing the minds of the electorate with the race issue.

In addition to all the signs of an amazing growth of republicanism in this state, it was apparent that the democratic party was shot through with dissension over the league of nations and with dissatisfaction with the Wilson administration.

Suddenly the Negro equality talk bobbed up in central and western Kentucky. Democratic orators began assuring their audiences they had proof that the republicans were bent on establishing mixed schools of Negroes and whites, abolishing "Jim Crow" restrictions on passenger cars, admitting Negroes to theaters and restaurants and otherwise creating race equality.

For proof the democratic orators alleged that the race equality proposals had been put forth by a Negro Journal published in Ohio, which is supporting Harding. They also pointed to the fact that a republican Negro had announced his candidacy for member of the Louisville board of education and dilated upon the prodigious activity of the republican organization in restoring Negro women to vote.

The republicans are viewing with satisfaction their possession of the most important election machinery by virtue of the fact that the state administration is republican. They say it means an honest count of the vote. The democratic leaders say it means the republicans will count Harding in, if the result is close.

WILL WORK AMONG YOUNG WOMEN

(By Associated Negro Press)
NEWARK, N. J., Oct. 28.—Miss Merie Stokes has returned to the city and will resume her work among the young colored women of the Young Women's Fellowship association. Miss Stokes is working under the auspices of the Federation of Churches and is highly regarded by the leaders of religious activities in the city.

FARMER-LABOR PARTY RUN WOMAN FOR CONGRESS

(By Associated Negro Press)
HARTFORD, Conn., Oct. 28.—The Farmer-Labor party of this congressional district has nominated Mrs. Mary Seymore, a Negro woman, for representative in congress. Mrs. Seymore claims to be a full-blooded Negro and is declared to be, by all the citizens of Hartford, one of the ablest women in this section of the state. She is making a vigorous effort to be elected and is making impressive talk for the working class.

LIVE STOCK CONTEST

(By Associated Negro Press)
RALEIGH, N. C., Oct. 28.—One of the chief features of the Negro State Fair, which was opened in this city on the 23d of October, was a live stock contest. This was the first of its kind ever held in the south. The contest was promoted by Rev. H. Thomas, state supervisor of agricultural education, and proved to be a big success.

Good Work Never Lost.
The work an unknown good man has done is like a vein of water flowing hidden underground, secretly making the ground green above it.—Caryle.

Honesty.
Honesty is not the best policy. It isn't any kind of policy. It's a virtue practiced for its own sake without regard for profits. Those who refrain from stealing because thieves end in jail are not honest. They are merely discreet.—Robert Quillen in Saturday Evening Post.



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